# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD DIVISION OF JUDGES NEW YORK BRANCH OFFICE

DOVER HOSPITALITY SERVICES, INC. a/k/a DOVER CATERERS, INC. a/k/a/ DOVER COLLEGE SERVICES, INC. a/k/a DOVER GROUP OF NEW YORK a/k/a DOVER GROUP a/k/a QUICK SNACK FOODS, INC.

and

Case No. 29-CA-063398

LOCAL 1102 OF THE RETAIL, WHOLESALE & DEPARTMENT STORE UNION, UNITED FOOD & COMMERCIAL WORKERS UNION

Michael Berger, Esq., Brooklyn, NY for the Acting General Counsel Dennis J. Romano, Westbury, NY for the Charging Party

# **DECISION**

Mindy E. Landow, Administrative Law Judge. This case is an outgrowth of a prior proceeding before the Board based upon an alleged failure and refusal to provide information necessary and relevant to the collective bargaining process. As will be discussed below, the Board has previously concluded that the named Respondent violated Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act by failing to do so and ordered that such information be provided to the Union. The instant case involves the same principals, ongoing bargaining for a successor contract and an updated information request.

#### Statement of the Case

Based upon a charge filed on August 23, 2011 by Local 1102 of the Retail, Wholesale & Department Store Union, United Food & Commercial Workers Union (Union) in Case No. 29-CA-063398, the Regional Director for Region 29 issued a Complaint and Notice of Hearing (complaint) on November 2011, alleging that Dover Hospitality Service, Inc. (Dover or Respondent) and 5 other entities (alleged as "a/k/a"s)¹ engaged in unfair labor practices in violation of Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act by failing and refusing to provide the Union with certain information necessary and relevant to the performance of its duties as the exclusive collective-bargaining representative of certain of Respondent's employees. The Respondent filed an answer denying the material allegations of the complaint and further asserting that none

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> These additional named entities: Dover Caterers, Inc.; Dover College Services, Inc., Dover Group of New York; Dover Group and Quick Snack Foods, were not alleged as single or joint employers with or alter egos of Dover Hospitality Services, Inc.

of the alleged entities listed as "a/k/a"s performed any work at the named locations relative to the instant matter, are not parties to any collective-bargaining agreement with the Union and that they have not employed any bargaining unit member for purposes of the collective bargaining agreement between Dover and the Union.

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A hearing with respect to the allegations of the complaint was held before me in Brooklyn, New York on September 20, 2012.<sup>2</sup> As will be discussed in further detail below, no representative of Respondent appeared at that time. Based upon the record adduced at the hearing, the brief filed by Counsel for the Acting General Counsel,<sup>3</sup> and other documentary submissions,<sup>4</sup> discussed below, I make the following

# FINDINGS OF FACT

#### I. Jurisdiction

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Respondent is a corporation with its principal office and place of business in Plainview, New York, with operations at campuses at Suffolk County Community College located in Selden and Brentwood, New York, where it is involved in providing retail food services. Respondent has admitted that during the 12-month period preceding the hearing in this matter, a period which is representative of its operations generally, Respondent derived gross revenues in excess of \$500,000 and purchased and received at its New York locations goods valued in excess of \$5,000 from other enterprises located within the State of New York, each of which enterprises had received those goods directly from points located outside the State of New York. It is

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Unless otherwise noted, all dates are in 2012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Hereafter referred to as the General Counsel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> As raised by the General Counsel at the outset of the hearing, on September 12, Counsel for the General Counsel subpoenaed certain documents from the Respondent including (1) documents generally relating to the ownership and control of the 5 listed "also known as" entities; (2) all documents which had been provided by Respondent to the Union in response to the Union's information request of August 3. 2011 and (3) all correspondence sent by the Respondent to the Union regarding the Union's information request of August 3, 2011. Thereafter, Respondent timely filed a Petition to revoke the subpoena (Petition) raising general objections, i.e. that the subpoena does not relate to any matter under investigation, is unreasonable in scope and overly broad, constitutes harassment and is unduly burdensome in seeking documents not relevant to this matter. Respondent further asserted that it had already provided certain documents responsive to items 2 and 3 of the subpoena to the Region. Respondent's general objections, as outlined above, are unsubstantiated and insufficient to support its Petition. I find that items 2 and 3 of the subpoena seek documents arguably relevant to the matters under consideration here. To the extent such documents have not already been provided to the General Counsel, I accordingly deny the Respondent's Petition. The information sought by item 1 of the subpoena, i.e. documents showing ownership and control of the 5 named "also known as" entities raises questions of relevance particularly inasmuch as none of these entities are named as joint or single employers or alter egos of the principal named Respondent. However, I have concluded that Respondent's answer has raised certain questions pertaining to the relationship among these entities and the extent to which they conduct business at the facilities at issue here. The Board's standard in evaluating whether subpoenaed documents should be produced is a broad one. Section 102.31 of the Board's Rules and Regulations states that a subpoena shall be revoked if, "the evidence does not relate to any matter under investigation or in question in these proceedings." Here, based upon the representations contained in Respondent's answer to the complaint, I cannot conclude that the material sought by the subpoena clearly does not relate to any matter under investigation or in guestion here. With regard to any contention that some of the documents sought do not exist or are unavailable, Respondent was obliged to make that information available to the General Counsel. Accordingly, the Respondent's Petition is denied in its entirety.

admitted, and I find, that Respondent is and has been an employer engaged in commerce within the meaning of Section 2(2), (6) and (7) of the Act. It is also admitted, and I find, that the Union is and has been a labor organization within the meaning of Section 2(5) of the Act.

#### II. The Prior Board Decision

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In *Dover Hospitality Services, Inc.* a/k/a *Dover Caterers, Inc.*, a/k/a *Dover College Services, Inc.*, 358 NLRB No. 84 (2012), a prior case involving the Charging Party and the Respondent, the Respondent was found to have committed unfair labor practices substantially similar to those at issue here. In particular, the Board found that, by failing and refusing to provide the Union with information it had requested by letter on January 5, 2011, the Respondent had violated Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act.<sup>5</sup> In so concluding, the Board affirmed certain findings made by the administrative law judge which form relevant background to the instant proceeding.

As the judge found, since 2005, the Union has been recognized as the collective-bargaining representative of certain food service employees employed at Suffolk County Community College at its Selden and Brentwood campuses. Such recognition has been embodied in a series of collective-bargaining agreements, the most recent of which expired on January 31, 2010 (the 2010 agreement). Isaac (Butch) Yamali has been an owner of Respondent and responsible for the negotiation of contracts between Respondent and the Union. The ALJ, affirmed by the Board, found that on several occasions during the negotiation for a successor to the 2010 agreement, Respondent asserted that it could not afford to pay the wages and benefits set forth in the expiring collective-bargaining agreement and could not, therefore, meet the Union's demands for increases in these terms and conditions of employment. 356 NLRB No. 84, slip op. at 3, 6.6 The Board found that on January 5, 2011, the Union had made a request for information that was relevant to substantiating Respondent's claim of inability to pay and that Respondent had ignored the Union's request and failed to provide any of the requested information. Id. at 4, 6. The information request, sent to Yamali by the Union's Director of Collective Bargaining Dennis Romano, sought the following information:

Annual tax returns Federal/State for years 2005-2009 Audited Income Statements and balance sheets for years 2005-2009 Copies of all W-2/W-3 for years 2005-2009

The letter sent by Romano specified that the information sought was "to verify your continued position at the bargaining table that the current labor agreement is an impediment to your continued existence at SCC Selden and Brentwood Campuses."

The administrative law judge further relied upon Romano's testimony that he asked for the foregoing information in order to verify Yamali's assertions of not making a profit and the unaffordability of the current contract and any increases going forward; and that he consulted with the Union's accountant who would be more familiar with the sort of documents necessary to verify the Employer's assertions prior to making the information request.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In that case, the status of Dover Caterers, Inc. and Dover College Services, Inc. as "also known as" entities was neither challenged nor litigated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In particular, the administrative law judge found that: "Yamali, at two meetings, informed the Union that Respondent could not afford the current union contract, let alone any increases in the new contract. These assertions made on behalf of Respondent have consistently been held to convey an 'inability to pay'. . ." Id. slip op. at 6 (citations omitted).

#### III. The Current Case

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As of the date of the hearing, the parties had not reached agreement on a successor collective-bargaining agreement. I further note that there is no evidence that the Respondent had changed its position regarding its asserted inability to pay under the current contract or the Union's bargaining proposals. In furtherance of continuing bargaining, on August 3, 2011, Romano sent a letter addressed Yamali, which provides as follows:

- Re: Renewal Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations Between Local 1102 RWDSU/UFCW and Dover Hospitality Services, Inc., a/k/a Dover Caterers, Inc., a/k/a Dover College Services, Inc., a/k/a Dover Group of New York, a/k/a Dover Group, a/k/a Quick Snack Foods, Inc.
- As a follow up to my January 5, 2011 letter, I am writing to notify you that the Union is requesting that the additional following information be provided during the current on-going negotiations between the parties:
  - Annual tax returns Federal/State for year 2010 for Dover Hospitality Services, Inc., Dover Caterers, Inc., Dover College Services, Inc., Dover Group of New York, Dover Group and Quick Snack Foods.
    - 2. Audited Income statements and balance sheet for year 2010 for Dover Hospitality Services, Inc., Dover Caterers, Inc., Dover College Services, Inc., Dover Group of New York, Dover group and Quick Snack Foods.
  - Copies of all W-2/W-3 for year 2010 for Dover Hospitality Services, Inc., Dover Caterers, Inc., Dover College Services, Inc., Dover Group of New York, Dover group and Quick Snack Foods.
- Again, this information is needed to verify your continued position at the bargaining table that the current labor agreement is an impediment to your continued existence at SCC Belden and Brentwood campuses.
  - In addition, the Union reserves its right to ask for additional information and to request that information from additional companies under your custody and control as it deems necessary to support your position in these negotiations.

Once I have had an opportunity to review this information I will provide additional dates for negotiations.

Thus, the instant information request differs from the prior one in two respects: it requests the information be updated to include the year 2010 and specifically lists certain "also known as" entities about which information is sought. Romano testified that the August 3 information request added additional "also known as" entities because the Union, through research, had reason to believe they were related to Dover Hospitality Services, Inc. For example, Romano testified that Quick Snack Foods Inc. was Respondent's vending operation at Suffolk Community College. Romano failed, however, to offer any specific reason for or particularized evidence as to why the other "also known as" entities were added to the Union's information request.

There was no response to the Union's information request for approximately 13 months.

On the morning of the date prior to the instant hearing, counsel for the Respondent

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called Romano and asserted that Respondent would provide the information sought. Romano replied that it was less than 24 hours prior to the date and time set for the unfair labor practice hearing and asked what information would be provided. Counsel for Respondent replied that the information provided would be the W-2 forms and federal and state income tax forms for the year requested. Romano replied that that was not fully responsive to what had been requested in his letter. Romano specifically asked about the audited income statements and counsel for Respondent replied that he did not have those. Romano replied that that was not acceptable.

As it happened, Respondent did not actually send any information to the Union; rather, it was forwarded to the regional office for Region 29 of the NLRB. Once the information was received, counsel for the General Counsel inquired as to whether the information had been sent to the Union and Respondent counsel responded that it had not been sent directly to the Union. The regional office then forwarded the information to the Union, stating it was doing so as a matter of courtesy; however counsel for the General Counsel informed counsel for Respondent that it was Respondent's obligation, under the Act, to provide the information directly to the Union.

Once having received the information through the auspices of the General Counsel, Romano confirmed that it was not wholly responsive to the information request, in any event. While, as represented, Respondent had sent the W-2 forms and federal and state income tax returns for 2010, the audited income statements were not provided. Romano testified that, although he was not an accountant, he had reason to believe that such information would and did exist and that this belief was based upon the fact that the Respondent conducted business in both the public and private sector where it would be required to submit bids before being selected. In connection with such bids, it can reasonably be assumed that Respondent possesses and would be required to submit such standard financial documents. In addition, as Romano testified, the Employer's response fails to address the request for W-3 forms and no W-2 forms or other responsive information was provided for any of the "also known as" entities. The one income tax return that was provided was for an entity known as "Dover Gourmet Corp. & Subsidiary Dover Hospitality Services, Inc." Thus, no income tax information was received for any of the "also known as" entities referenced in Romano's information request and no response as to any of these other entities was received.

Later that evening, counsel for Respondent notified counsel for the General Counsel that it had produced all documents in its possession which were responsive to the Union's information request, stated that it would not be appearing at the hearing and requested that the matter be "closed."

The General Counsel has argued that the Respondent's late and insufficient response to the Union's information request constitutes a violation of the duty to bargain in violation of the Act.

# **Analysis and Conclusions**

# 45 General Legal Principles

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It is well settled that Respondent has a statutory obligation to provide the Union, on request, information that is relevant and necessary to enable the Union to intelligently and effectively carry out its statutory obligations as the employees' exclusive bargaining representative. *NLRB v. Truitt Mfg. Co.*, 351 U.S. 149,152 (1956); *NLRB v. Acme Industrial Co.*, 385 U.S. 432, 435-436 (1967); *American Benefit Corporation*, 354 NLRB 1039 (2010); *Detroit Edison Co. v. NLRB*, 440 U.S. 301 (1979). Respondent's statutory obligation includes furnishing

the Union with requested information related to contract negotiations. *Day Automotive Group*, 348 NLRB 1257, 1262 (2006).

More particularly, as was found in the prior case involving these parties, Respondent's duty to bargain includes the obligation to provide the Union with requested information that would enable the Union to assess the validity of claims that Respondent made in contract negotiations. *KLB Industries, Inc. d/b/a National Extrusion & Manufacturing Company,* 357 NLRB No. 8 (2011).

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Information that relates directly to employees in the bargaining unit and their terms and conditions of employment is presumptively relevant and Respondent must provide the requested information. *Boston Herald-Traveler Corp.*, 110 NLRB 2097 (1954), enfd. 223 F.2d 58 (1st Cir.1955); *Pfizer*, 268 NLRB 916, 918 (1984), enfd. 763 F.2d 887 (7th Cir. 1985).

However, where a union has requested information with respect to employees or matters outside the bargaining unit, the Union has the burden of demonstrating that the information is potentially relevant to its representative duties. *National Broadcasting Company*, 352 NLRB 90, 97 (2008); *Ohio Power Co.*, 216 NLRB 987 (1975), enfd. 531 F.2d 1381 (6th Cir. 1976). In particular, the Board has held that information about the financial condition of an employer is not presumptively relevant. *Nielsen Lithographing Co.*, 305 NLRB 697 (1991), affd. sub nom. *Graphic Communications Local 50B v NLRB*, 977 F. 2d 1168 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1992). As stated in *ConAgra, Inc. v. NLRB*, 117 F.3d 1435, 1438 (D.C. Cir. 1997)(citing *Ohio Power Co.*, supra):

Although the relevance of information concerning the terms and conditions of employment is presumed, no such presumption applies to an employer's information regarding its financial structure and condition, and a union must demonstrate that any requested financial information is relevant to the negotiations in order to require the employer to turn it over.

To meet this burden of establishing relevance, the Union need only demonstrate a reasonable belief based on objective facts that the requested information is relevant. *Disneyland Park*, 350 NLRB 1256, 1258 (2007). The Union is not required to show the precise relevance of the requested information to particular bargaining unit issues. *AK Steel Corp.*, 324 NLRB 173, 183 (1997). The burden for demonstrating relevance is not a heavy one, requiring only a broad, "liberal discovery-type standard." *Acme Industrial, supra*, 385 U.S. at 437; *American Benefit Corporation*, 354 NLRB 1039, 1050 (2010). In order to be relevant under this liberal standard, the information sought need not be dispositive of the issues between the parties, but must only have some bearing on the issues, showing a probability that the requested information would be of use to the Union in carrying out its representative functions. *Pennsylvania Power& Light Co.*, 301 NLRB 1104, 1105 (1991); *National Broadcasting Company*, supra at 97.

Even absent a showing by the Union of probable relevance, Board law holds "that an employer is obligated to furnish requested information where the circumstances should put the employer on notice of a relevant purpose which the union has not spelled out." *KLB Industries, Inc.*, supra (quoting *Allison Co.*, 330 NLRB 1363,1367, fn. 23 (2000)).

Further, a party's statements and bargaining proposals may make other information relevant to negotiations. The Board has noted that if a party asserts a claim and then refuses to provide requested information to substantiate the claim, collective bargaining is frustrated and rendered ineffective. *Leland Stanford Junior Univ.*, 262 NLRB 136, 145 (1982).

In NLRB v. Truitt Mfg. Co., the Supreme Court held that an employer violated Section

8(a)(5)of the Act by refusing to provide the Union with information requested in order to substantiate the employer's claim that it could not afford to grant its employees the wage increase sought by the union and that such an increase would put the employer out of business.

# 5 The Court explained that:

Good-faith bargaining necessarily requires that claims made by either bargainer should be honest claims. This is true about an asserted inability to pay an increase in wages. If such an argument is important enough to present in the give and take of bargaining, it is important enough to require some sort of proof of accuracy.

Id. at 152-153.

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While no magic words are required to establish an obligation to provide general financial information, the obligation arises where, as has been previously found here, Respondent's statements and actions have conveyed an inability to pay. *Dover*, 358 NLRB, slip op. at 6 (and cases cited therein); see also *Atlanta Hilton & Tower*, 271 NLRB 1600, 1602 (1984).

The General Counsel has alleged that Respondent's unexplained failure to respond to the Union's August 3, 2011 information request for a period of some 13 months constitutes a violation of its duty to bargain. I agree. It is well-settled that under Board law, the duty to furnish information requires a reasonable good-faith effort to respond to the request as promptly as circumstances allow. *Good Life Beverage Co.*, 312 NLRB 1060, 1062 fn. 9 (1993) ("An unreasonable delay in furnishing such information is as much of a violation of Section 8(a)(5) as a refusal to furnish the information at all.") See also *Valley Inventory Service*, 295 NLRB 1163, 1166 (1989). Absent evidence justifying an employer's delay in furnishing a union with relevant information, such a delay will constitute a violation of Section 8(a)(5). *Woodland Clinic*, 331 NLRB 735, 737 (2000). Moreover, this has been found to be the case even where the underlying complaint alleges a blanket refusal to provide information rather than a delay in doing so. *Shaw's Supermarkets*, 339 NLRB 871 (2003);<sup>7</sup> see also *Care Manor of Farmington*, 318 NLRB 330, 333-334 (1995).

As noted above, Respondent belatedly argued to the Union that some of the information sought does not exist. Assuming that to be the case (a matter which has not been proven and to which the General Counsel has offered some rebuttal testimony), the evidence shows that Respondent failed to notify the Union of that fact in a timely manner or explain why it would not have maintained such standard financial documents in the ordinary course of business.

Recently, the Board has clarified that under Section 8(a)(5) of the Act, a unionized employer must respond, in some manner, to a request for information, even when an employer may have a justification for not actually providing the requested information. *IronTiger Logistics*,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> In *Shaw's Supermarkets*, it was alleged that the respondent had failed and refused to provide relevant information. As is the case here, a portion of the requested information was provided shortly prior to the hearing and still other information was provided subsequent to the hearing. Nevertheless, the administrative law judge concluded that a violation of Section 8(a)(5), as alleged, had occurred, reasoning as follows: "The issue then is whether the Act was violated by the dilatory manner in which [the] requested information was turned over. Once a good faith demand is made for relevant information, it must be made available promptly and in useful form. Even though an employer has not expressly refused to furnish the information, its failure to make diligent effort to obtain or to provide the information 'reasonably' promptly may be equated with a flat refusal." 339 NLRB 875 (and cases cited therein).

Inc., 359 NLRB No. 13, slip op. at 2. (2012).8

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As the Board noted, it had previously found that:

[A]n employer must respond to a union's request for relevant information within a reasonable time, either by complying with it or by stating its reason for noncompliance within a reasonable period of time. Failure to make either response in a reasonable time is, by itself, a violation of Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act. Some kind of response or reaction is mandatory.

Id. (citing Columbia University, 298 NLRB 941, 945 (1990)).

Consistent with this logic, in *IronTiger*, supra, a Board panel majority found that the employer had a duty to timely respond to the union's information request, even where the information sought was ultimately found not to be relevant.

Here, Respondent's answer raises the issue of the applicability of the Union's information request with regard to the "also known as" entities. Assuming that the Employer were to take the position, as indicated by its answer to the complaint, that it was under no obligation under the Act to provide such information regarding those other entities to the Union, it was nevertheless obliged to advise the Union, in a timely manner, of that position and the underlying facts which support it. <sup>9</sup> The same obligation obtains with regard to information which Respondent may claim or has claimed does not exist. Clearly, it did not do so.

Moreover, as the General Counsel has noted, Respondent did not satisfy or cure any delay in its obligation to provide the Union with information by subsequently, on the eve of trial, providing certain items to the General Counsel. The Respondent's bargaining obligation is with the Union. In this regard, the Board has held that although information may be available to a union through other means, employer is not relieved of its obligation, under the duty to bargain, to supply such information directly to the collective bargaining representative of its employees. To the contrary, the duty of an employer to provide relevant information in its possession is not excused by the fact that it may be obtained elsewhere. *Kroger Co.*, 226 NLRB 512, 513-514 (1976); *People Care, Inc.*, 327 NLRB 814, 824 (1999); *Orthodox Jewish Home for the Aged*, 314 NLRB 1006, 1008 (1994).

Here, Respondent has failed to offer any legally sufficient explanation, supported by probative evidence, for its non-response and subsequent delay in providing information relevant to its ongoing claim of "inability to pay" to the Union. Accordingly, I find that by failing to respond to the Union's request for information, the relevance of which has previously been established, and is reaffirmed by the evidence here, Respondent has failed and refused to bargain

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> In that case, a Board panel majority found that the employer had a duty to timely respond to the union's information request, even though the information sought was ultimately found not to be relevant. That is not an issue here, where (as has been previously found by the Board) the financial information sought by the Union is clearly relevant to the Employer's claim of inability to pay.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> As to the other recently-named "also known as" entities, the General Counsel has requested that I draw an adverse inference from Respondent's failure to comply with item 1 of its subpoena which seeks documents showing the ownership and control of those named in the complaint. Under the particular circumstances of this case, I decline to do so. See *CPS Chemical Co.*, 324 NLRB 1018, 1019 (1997) enfd. 160 F.3d 150 (3d Cir. 1998)(absence of documents did not prevent the General Counsel from proving any relevant part of its case).

collectively and in good faith in violation of Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act.

### Conclusions of Law

By failing and refusing to provide the Union with the information requested in its August 3, 2011 letter, the Respondent has engaged in unfair labor practices affecting commerce within the meaning of Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act and section 2(6) and (7) of the Act.

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Having found that the Respondent has engaged in certain unfair labor practices in violation of Section 8(a)(5) and (1) of the Act, I shall recommend that it cease and desist therefrom and take certain affirmative action designed to effectuate the policies of the Act. Having found that Respondent unlawfully refused to supply information as set forth in the complaint, it is recommended that Respondent, to the extent it has not done so, be ordered to furnish such information to the Union.

On these findings of fact and conclusions of law and on the entire record, I issue the following recommended<sup>10</sup>

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### **ORDER**

The Respondent, Dover Hospitality Services, Inc., a/k/a Dover Caterers, Inc., a/k/a Dover College Services, Inc., a/k/a Dover Group of New York, a/k/a Dover Group, a/k/a Quick Snack Foods, Inc., Selden and Brentwood, New York and its officers, agents, successors, and assigns, shall

#### 1. Cease and desist from

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(a) Failing and refusing to bargain in good faith with Local 1102 of the Retail Wholesale & Department Store Union, United Food and Commercial Workers Union (the Union) by failing and refusing to furnish information relevant and necessary to the Union's performance of its duties as the exclusive collective-bargaining representative of its employees in the following appropriate unit:

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All regularly employed kitchen, dining room, bar, cafeteria, kiosk and cart employees employed by the Respondent at the Suffolk County Community College Selden Campus and the grill employees employed by the Respondent at the Suffolk County Community College Brentwood Campus, excluding, however, all cooks, custodians, university students, causal employees as defined in Article 2, office and clerical employees, supervisors and guards as defined in the Act.

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(b) In any like or related manner interfering with, restraining or coercing employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed them by Section 7 of the Act.

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2. Take the following affirmative action necessary to effectuate the policies of the Act.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> If no exceptions are filed as provided by Sec. 102.46 of the Board's Rules and Regulations, the findings, conclusions, and recommended Order shall, as provided in Sec. 102.48 of the Rules, be adopted by the Board and all objections to them shall be deemed waived for all purposes.

(a) Provide the Union with the information requested by its letter of August 3, 2011.

(b) Within 14 days after service by the Region, post at its Selden and Brentwood, New York facilities copies of the attached notice marked "Appendix." Copies of the notice, on forms provided by the Regional Director for Region 29, after being signed by the Respondent's authorized representative, shall be posted by the Respondent and maintained for 60 consecutive days in conspicuous places including all places where notices to employees are customarily posted. In addition to physical posting of paper notices, the notices shall be distributed electronically, such as by email, posting on an intranet or an internet site, and/or other electronic means, if the Respondent customarily communicates with its employees by such means. Reasonable steps shall be taken by the Respondent to ensure that the notices are not altered, defaced, or covered by any other material. In the event that, during the pendency of these proceedings, the Respondent has gone out of business or closed the facility involved in these proceedings, the Respondent shall duplicate and mail, at its own expense, a copy of the notice to all current employees and former employees employed by the Respondent at any time since August 3, 2011.

Dated, Washington, D.C., February 22, 2013.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> If this Order is enforced by a judgment of a United States court of appeals, the words in the notice reading "Posted by Order of the National Labor Relations Board" shall read "Posted Pursuant to a Judgment of the United States Court of Appeals Enforcing an Order of the National Labor Relations Board."

#### **APPENDIX**

#### NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES

Posted by Order of the

National Labor Relations Board An Agency of the United States Government

The National Labor Relations Board has found that we violated Federal labor law and has ordered us to post and obey this Notice.

#### FEDERAL LAW GIVES YOU THE RIGHT TO

Form, join, or assist a union Choose representatives to bargain with us on your behalf Act together with other employees for your benefit and protection Choose not to engage in any of these protected activities

WE WILL NOT fail and refuse to bargain in good faith with Local 1102 of the Retail Wholesale & Department Store Union, United Food and Commercial Workers Union (the Union) by failing and refusing to furnish information relevant and necessary to the Union's performance of its duties as the exclusive collective-bargaining representative of its employees in the following appropriate unit:

All regularly employed kitchen, dining room, bar, cafeteria, kiosk and cart employees employed by the Respondent at the Suffolk County Community College Selden Campus and the grill employees employed by the Respondent at the Suffolk County Community College Brentwood Campus, excluding, however, all cooks, custodians, university students, causal employees as defined in Article 2, office and clerical employees, supervisors and guards as defined in the Act.

WE WILL NOT in any like or related manner interfere with, restrain or coerce employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed them by Section 7 of the Act.

WE WILL provide the Union with the information requested by its letter of August 3, 2011

		a/k/a DOVER CATERERS, INC. a/k/a/ DOVER COLLEGE SERVICES, INC. a/k/a DOVER GROUP OF NEW YORK a/k/a DOVER GROUP a/k/a QUICK SNACK FOODS, INC.		
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DOVER HOSPITALITY SERVICES, INC.

The National Labor Relations Board is an independent Federal agency created in 1935 to enforce the National Labor Relations Act. It conducts secret-ballot elections to determine whether employees want union representation and it investigates and remedies unfair labor practices by employers and unions. To find out more about your rights under the Act and how to file a charge or election petition, you may speak confidentially to any agent with the Board's Regional Office set forth below. You may also obtain information from the Board's website: <a href="https://www.nlrb.gov">www.nlrb.gov</a>.

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THIS NOTICE MUST REMAIN POSTED FOR 60 CONSECUTIVE DAYS FROM THE DATE OF POSTING AND MUST NOT BE ALTERED, DEFACED, OR COVERED BY ANY OTHER MATERIAL. ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS NOTICE OR COMPLIANCE WITH ITS PROVISIONS MAY BE DIRECTED TO THE ABOVE REGIONAL OFFICE'S COMPLIANCE OFFICER, 718-330-2862.